




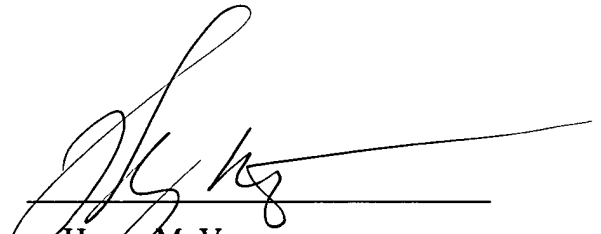
UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL <i>(Only for new non-provisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))</i>	<i>Title of Invention</i>	Substituted 6-Benzyl-4-Oxopyrimidines, Process for their Preparation and Pharmaceutical Compositions Containing Them
	<i>Named Inventor(s)</i>	Paolo La Colla and Marino Artico
	<i>Attorney Docket</i>	06171.105003 (IDX 1003 US CON1)
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17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION , check appropriate box and supply the requisite information: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Divisional <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No: 09/744,038 Prior application information: Examiner: Hong Liu Group/Art Unit: 1624 <small>For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation <u>can only</u> be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.</small>
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : Unassigned
(Continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/744,038)
Applicant : Artico, *et al.*
Filed : Herewith
Title : Substituted 6-Benzyl-4-Oxopyrimidines, Process for their Preparation and
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TC/AU : Unassigned (1624)
Examiner : Unassigned (Hong Liu)

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REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b)

Sir:

This is a request by Paola LaColla and Marino Artico for filing a Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application U.S. Serial No. 09/744,038, filed May 1, 2001, which was filed under 35 U.S.C. 371 based on International Patent Application No. PCT/EP99/05134, filed July 19, 1999, now published as WO 00/03998, currently pending.

Enclosed is a copy of the prior application U.S.S.N. 09/744,038 as originally filed. The application includes thirty-six pages of Specification, Claims, and Abstract.

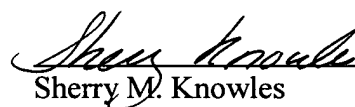
Novirio Pharmaceuticals Limited changed its name to Idenix Pharmaceuticals Inc., which was recorded on August 19, 2002, at Reel 013193, Frame 0841. A copy of the recordation of name change is enclosed. Also enclosed are copies of the executed Declarations for Patent Application and Powers of Attorney.

Continuation of Application No. 09/864,078
Transmittal for Request of Filing Continuation Application dated October 21, 2003

A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Applicants request entry of the Preliminary Amendment prior to examination of this application.

Applicants enclose a check for \$770.00 to cover the filing fee. The Commissioner for Patents is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 11-0980.

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FEE TRANSMITTAL

This sheet accompanies a patent application transmittal for the following application:

Inventor(s): Artico, et al.

Filing Date: October 21, 2003

Title: Substituted 6-Benzyl-4-Oxopyrimidines, Process for their Preparation and Pharmaceutical Compositions Containing Them

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